

CHAPTER 557
Park Rules and Regulations

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CROSS REFERENCES

Power to regulate - see Ohio R.C. 755.25

Power to regulate vehicle speed in parks - see Ohio R.C. 4511.07(E)

Parking of motor vehicles - see TRAF. Ch. 351

Operation of motor vehicles - see TRAF. Ch. 331-341

Property offenses - see GEN. OFF. Ch. 541

557.01 DEFINITIONS.

Whenever the words, terms or expressions herein defined, or pronouns used in their stead, occur in this chapter, they shall have the meanings given below:

- (a) "Board" or "the Board" means the Board of Parks and Recreation of the City.
- (b) "Director" means the Director of Parks and Recreation.
- (c) "Park" or "parks" includes all property owned or held in trust by the City for park purposes.
- (d) "Motor vehicle" means the same as defined in Chapter 301 of the Traffic Code.
- (e) "Drug of abuse" means the same as defined in Chapter 513 of the General Offenses Code.
- (f) "Beer" and "intoxicating liquor" means the same as defined in Chapter 529 of the General Offenses Code.
- (g) "Ball Diamond Complex" means Municipal Stadium and the softball diamonds located at Davey Moore Park and Lagonda Fields and the areas immediately adjacent thereto as shown on the drawings on file in the office of the Clerk of the City Commission.

(Ord. 89-455. Passed 8-15-89.)

557.02 RULES AND REGULATIONS.

The following rules and regulations are for the protection, care, and government of its parks and the use thereof by the public and are in addition to rules and regulations adopted by the Board pursuant to Chapter 161.

557.03 REMOVAL OR DESTRUCTION OF PARK PROPERTY.

No person shall remove, destroy, cut, break, injure, mutilate, write upon, or deface in any way any structure, monument, statue, vase, fountain, wall, fence, railing, vehicle, equipment, bench, tree, shrub, fern, plant, flower or any other property in any park.
(Ord. 79-191. Passed 5-22-79.)

557.04 DEPOSIT OF MATERIALS.

(a) No person shall deposit or discard in or adjacent to a park any paper, garbage, ashes, refuse or other noxious or waste material, other than in receptacles provided for the disposal of such materials.

(b) No person shall bring into a park any garbage, ashes, refuse or other noxious or waste material and deposit or discard the same in or adjacent to a park.

(c) No person shall, while in or adjacent to a park discharge, throw, drop or cause to flow into park waters any noxious or deleterious substance, either solid or liquid.
(Ord. 79-191. Passed 5-22-79.)

557.05 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.

(a) Except as provided in subsection (e) of this section, no person shall consume or permit the consumption of any kind of beer or intoxicating liquor within park property except as permitted within restaurant facilities located on park property, or as purchased from a concessionaire lawfully operating from within a ball diamond complex and consumed within the complex. Such complexes shall be posted so as to indicate the areas in which the sale or consumption of alcoholic beverages is restricted.

(b) Nothing contained in this section, however, shall be construed as limiting the power of the Board to regulate the conduct of persons playing or otherwise participating in golf, baseball, softball or any other sporting event or activity while on park property.

(c) No person shall possess or use any drug of abuse within park property.

(d) No person shall enter or remain in any park while under the influence of beer or intoxicating liquor or any drug of abuse.

(e) Subsection (a) hereof shall not apply to the sale and consumption of beer or intoxicating liquor, sold by the individual drink, pursuant to a permit issued by the Ohio Department of Liquor Control, and with the prior authorization of the Board of Parks and Recreation.
(Ord. 84-366. Passed 7-31-84.)

557.06 TRAFFIC.

(a) No person shall operate a motor vehicle in any park except on and within the roadways provided for such motor vehicles.

(b) No person shall operate a motor vehicle in any park in such a manner as to endanger the operator or any other person or any property.

(c) No person shall operate a motor vehicle in any park in excess of the posted speed limit.

(d) No person shall park or leave a motor vehicle in an area of any park at a time when such area is not open to the public.

(e) No person shall park a motor vehicle on the grass in any park, or alongside any roadway or other area of any park where signs prohibit parking, except at the direction of a police officer.

(Ord. 79-191. Passed 5-22-79.)

557.99 PENALTY.

(a) Whoever violates any provision of Section 557.06 is guilty of a minor misdemeanor.

(b) Whoever violates any provision of Section 557.03 is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree.

(c) Whoever violates any other provision of this chapter where another penalty is not otherwise provided or any rule or regulation adopted by the Board pursuant to Chapter 161 is guilty of a minor misdemeanor for a first offense and of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree for each subsequent violation.